

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA**

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SAFETY MEASURES IN AIRLINES
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has recently pulled up all the scheduled domestic airlines for neglecting safety due to financial stress;
- (b) if so, whether most of the private airlines are not following safety measures properly and keeping the passengers at risk;
- (c) whether the DGCA has decided to upgrade safety norms in various airlines;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the government in this regard?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI K. C. VENUGOPAL)

(a) and (b): No, Madam. DGCA has not pulled up any Scheduled Domestic Airlines recently.

(c) to (e): Yes Madam. Surveillance Inspection and Regulatory Audits are conducted by DGCA as per Annual Surveillance programme and same is published on DGCA website www.dgca.nic.in.

The findings recorded in the audit reports and surveillance are reviewed and forwarded to the operators for appropriate action by them. The action taken submitted by the operator on audit observations is reviewed for the appropriateness.

In house safety inspections by the operators are also examined during the safety checks by the DGCA officers.

Additional safety measures taken by DGCA to ensure the safety of aircraft and its passengers may be seen at Appendix 'A'.